XXX. Astronomical Observations made in the Austrian Netherlands in the Years 1773, 1774, and 1775. By Nathaniel Pigott, Esq. F. R. S. Foreign Member of the Academies of Brussels and Caen, and Correspondent of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Paris.

#### TO THE REV. DR. MASKELYNE.

REV. SIR,

Read May 7, THE inclosed observations are a sequel to those I communicated to you in 1775, and which are printed in the LXVIth vol. of Phil. Trans. for the year 1776.

Louvain being a very confiderable and the only university in the Austrian Netherlands, and upon that account a town of very great note, I was particularly defirous of settling its longitude and latitude with all the accuracy my situation and time would admit of; and the more so, that I believe myself to be the first person who ever made any astronomical observations in that place, and

and the first, of course, who has determined its position with any degree of certainty: there is, however, reason to think, that the government there will, in a fhort time, provide an observatory, and supply the same with proper inftruments; the first use of which will, no doubt, be to verify the inclosed observations. I spared no pains to render their refults as accurate as possible. With this view I collected, by the help of my friends, all the obfervations of Jupiter's fatellites I could, corresponding to each of ours; convinced by a mature confideration of this matter, that the most effectual method of obviating the unavoidable errors which arise from the different goodness and power of instruments from the different conformation of eyes, different states of the atmosphere and other circumstances, is to compare each observation to as great a number corresponding as possible, made in different places by known observers, whose longitudes from a given meridian are well determined, and then taking a mean arifing from each fuch comparison. The amazing differences which not unfrequently are found in observations of this kind, even among astronomers of high note, confirm me still more in this opinion; and I own, I should prefer, in order to settle the longitude of any place by Jupiter's fatellites, three or four immersions and as many emersions, made in favourable circumstances,

and compared with a great number of corresponding ones, made in different places, to a far greater number, which could but be compared with those of one or two astronomers only. If this consideration be of the weight it appears to me, it has not been sufficiently attended to, and I mention it as it may be of use, particularly to young astronomers.

The meridian zenith diffances of the Sun and ffars were taken with a quadrant one foot and a half radius made by BIRD, exactly and very fleadily fixed in the plane of the meridian. The declinations of the fixed flars, with the equations for aberration and nutation, were taken from the Connoissance des Tems; the Sun's declination from the Nautical Almanac; its parallax and refractions, with the corrections for the barometer and thermometer, were computed from MAYER's tables published by the Board of Longitude. It may not be improper to add, that, when I observed both the upper and lower limbs of the Sun upon the meridian, I made the horizontal wire of the quadrant merely a tangent to the Sun's limb; for which reason its diameter will come out by fuch observations considerably greater than it really was.

For the observations of Jupiter's satellites we used a reflector two feet and a half focal length, a telescope by short,

SHORT, 18 inches focus, and fometimes an achromatic treble-object glass of the same length, and not much inferior to it, made by Mr. RAMSDEN; the times were got by a quadrant and a grid-iron pendulum.

It is necessary to mention the difference of meridians between Paris and the places where the observations were made to which we compared our own; the more so, as some are not generally known, and others differ a small matter, from what is commonly supposed and printed in the Connoissance des Tems.

M. MESSIER, in communicating a confiderable number of observations, informed me in a letter of the longitudes of the following places:

|                 |               |               |              |                    | ••  |     |    |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|-----|-----|----|
| Corbeil East of | R. Observa    | itory at Par  | is,          |                    | 0   | 0   | 33 |
| Nolon, Mein.    | of Acad. of   | Sciences, 1   | 764,         | autoritis.         | 0   | 3   | 45 |
| Perinaldo, by   | nine correspo | onding observ | vations of 4 | 's first satellite | , 0 | 2 I | 33 |
| By a letter fr  | om Mr.        | MALLET,       | •            |                    |     |     |    |
| Geneva,         |               |               | -            |                    | 0   | 14  | 40 |
| And by a lett   | er on this    | s occafior    | n from M.    | BERNOUL            | LI, |     |    |
| Berlin, East,   |               | •             |              | Remarks 11         | 0   | 44  | 10 |
| Milan, East of  | ditto,        |               | *****        |                    | 0   | 27  | 24 |
| Petersburg,     |               |               |              |                    | 1   | 52  | 0  |
| By the Rev.     | Mr. Horn      | vsby's let    | tter,        |                    |     |     |    |
| Oxford, West    | of Greenwic   | h, 4′ 59″;    | hence of Pa  | ris,               | 0   | 14  | 15 |
| By Mr. DALB     | y's letter,   |               |              |                    |     |     |    |
| Muswel-hill, 3  | o" West of    | Greenwich,    | and of Paris | i, —               | 0   | 9   | 46 |
|                 |               |               |              |                    |     | Tl  | ne |

The longitudes of the other observatories are assumed, as set down in the *Connoissance des Tems*, 1777, as being well settled.

Twenty feconds were added to, or fubtracted from, the observations of the fatellites made at Greenwich, with the fix-feet reflector, on account of the great and superior power of that instrument.

Although Jupiter's fatellites observed at Bruffels be emersions only, nevertheless, as they agree with what the astronomers of the Academy of Sciences at Paris have done, as appears by the *Connoissance des Tems*, the result is well established.

Being defirous of affording every means of examining and forming a right judgement of these observations, I could not avoid saying thus much concerning them. It now remains for me to return you my thanks for the obliging communication of your observations.

I am, &c.

NATH. PIGOTT.

# Latitude of the Refuge de Vrowperg, Rue des Dominiquaines, at Louvain.

| 1774      |               |                 |              |             |         | •    | ,           | "            |
|-----------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|---------|------|-------------|--------------|
|           |               | the Sun's lowe  |              |             | ******* | 50   | 52          | 54,2         |
| 9         | . Ву          | the Sun's uppe  | r limb,      | ****        | -       | 50   | 53          | 5,5          |
| 11        | . Ву          | ζ Ophiuci,      |              | -           |         | 50   | 53          | 6,8          |
| 11        | . Ву          | a Herculis,     | -            |             | -       | 50   | 52          | 53,8         |
| 11        | . Ву          | a Ophiuci,      |              |             |         | 50   | 52          | 54,9         |
| 12.       | Ву            | both limbs of   | the Sun obse | rved,       | -       | 50   | 52          | 51,5         |
| 14.       | . Ву          | the Sun's lowe  | er limb,     | -           |         | 50   | 53          | 9,3          |
| 14.       | . By          | ≈ Herculis,     | ****         | Street.     |         | 50   | 52          | 54,I         |
| 15.       | Ву            | the Sun's lower | r limb       |             | -       | 50   | 53          | 8, 1         |
| 15.       | . By          | a Ophiuci,      | -            |             | -       | 50   | 52          | 58, <b>1</b> |
| 16.       | By            | ζ Ophiuci       | -            |             |         | 50   | 53          | 4,2          |
| 16.       | By            | a Herculis,     | -            |             | -       | 50   | 52          | 55,7         |
| 16.       | By a          | z Ophiuci,      | 4            |             |         | 50   | 53          | 3,2          |
| 18.       | Ву            | α Ophiuci,      | Marin.       | -           | -       | 50   | 52          | 57,0         |
| 19.       | By            | observations of | both limbs   | of the Sun, |         | 50   | 53          | 7,9          |
| 20.       | By a          | Herculis        |              |             | -       | 50   | 52          | 55,3         |
| 22.       | By t          | the Sun's uppe  | r limb,      |             |         | 50   | <b>53</b> . | 6,7          |
| 22.       | By $\epsilon$ | Cophiuci,       |              |             |         | 50   | 53          | 5,5          |
| 22.       | By o          | Herculis,       |              | -           | ***     | 50   | 52          | 55,8         |
| 23.       | By            | · Herculis,     |              | -           | -       | 50   | 52          | 55,5         |
| 24.       | By t          | the Sun's lower | limb,        |             |         | 50   | 53          | 0,2          |
| Sept. 30. | By 1          | both limbs of   | the Sun obse | rved,       | (Marian | 50   | 52          | 51,1         |
| 1775      | T) .          | ۸.۵             |              |             |         | -1 - |             |              |
| Aug. 21.  | By            | S Cygni,        | Antanga "    | -           | Pillet  | 50   | 52          | 51,1         |
|           |               | The mean of     | the above.   | -           | page 1  | 50   | 52          | 59,4         |
|           |               |                 |              |             |         |      |             |              |

Having on the 21st, 23d, 24th, 25th of April 1775, observed the zenith distances of  $\varepsilon$  and  $\zeta$  ursæ majoris with the face of the quadrant to the East and West, in order to determine the error of the line of collimation, which I found to be 25,2, to be subtracted from the observed zenith distances, I computed the latitude likewise from the same stars, and can depend the more upon the result from them, as, being so near the zenith, they were little affected by refraction, and not at all by the error of the line of collimation, because observed both on the quadrantal arc and arc of excess.

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By a mean of the Sun and stars as above,

Now, if a mean of the whole be taken, the latitude North of my observatory at Louvain will be
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Longitude of the Refuge de Vrowperg, Rue des Dominiquaines, at Louvain, deduced from observations of Jupiter's fatellites.

#### Corresponding altitudes of Sun and stars.

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1774, Aug. 15. Clock at noon, by fix fets of the Sun,
                                                             11 39 10,5
             16. Clock at noon, by seven ditto,
                                                             11 38 28,5
            22. Clock at noon, by eight ditto,
                                                             11 34 45-
            23. Clock at noon, by two ditto,
                                                             11 34 4+
            24. Clock at noon, by fix ditto,
                                                             11 33 23+
            25. Clock at noon, by seven ditto,
                                                             11 32 24,5
            29. a Aquilæ on meridian by the clock,
                                                              8 35 42+
            30. Clock at noon, by four fets of the Sun,
                                                             11 29 22-
            31. Clock at noon, by three ditto.
                                                             11 28 40+
1774, July 24. Clock at noon, by four ditto,
                                                              0 2 9+
            29. Clock at noon, by two ditto,
                                                             0 3 28-
      Aug. 21. Clock at noon, by four ditto,
                                                            11 59 51
            27. Clock at noon, by three ditto,
                                                            11 59 36
      Sept. 2. Clock at noon, by four ditto,
                                                            11 58 59+
             5. Clock at noon, by five ditto,
                                                            11 47 56+
             6. Clock at noon, by three ditto,
                                                            11 47 42+
            14. Clock at noon, by three ditto,
                                                            11 46 15
                a Aquilæ crossed a vertical by the clock,
                                                            6 27 24
           20. a Aquilæ croffed the fame vertical,
                                                             6 4 49
           21. Clock at noon, by three fets of the Sun,
                                                            11 45 58,5
           22. Clock at noon, by three ditto,
                                                            11 45 58-
1775, Feb. 10. Clock at noon, by five ditto,
                                                            11 59 47+
           16. Clock at noon, by five ditto,
                                                            11 59 54+
           18. Clock at noon, by five ditto,
                                                            11 59 50+
           22. Clock at noon, by ten ditto,
                                                           11 59 45+
           28. Clock at noon, by four ditto.
                                                            11 58 58,5 +
        The altitudes are corrected by the equation for declination.
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## For the Longitude of Louvain.

1773, August 15, immersion of 4's first satellite.

At 11h 28' 31" by the clock, felf.

1.1 28 54 ditto, my fon,

|   |   | Apparent tim |   |                     |  |
|---|---|--------------|---|---------------------|--|
|   |   | h            | ′   | "                   |  |
| At Paris, M. MESSIER, 3½ feet achrom. good,     |   |              |   |                     |  |
| At Geneva, M. MALLET, 10 feet achrom. fine sky, |   |              |   |                     |  |
| -   |   | 12           | 41  | 23                  |  |
|   | - | 13           | 32  | 58                  |  |
|   |   | 11           | 50  | 5                   |  |
|   |   | G ,          | arom. good, — 1.1 achrom. fine fky, — 12 — — 12 | rom. good, — 1.1 41 |  |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 7"+.

August 22, immersion of 4's first fatellite.

At 13h 18' 52" by the clock, hazy, felf.

13 19 24 ditto, by my fon.

| At Corbeil, M.  | MESSIER, 32 incl    | nes reflector, | fine, | - | 13 37 25 |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|-------|---|----------|
| At Petersburg,  |                     |                | ~~    |   | 15 28 20 |
| At Griefswalde, |                     |                |       |   | 14 20 44 |
| At Greenwich,   | fix feet reflector, | 6-40Mm         |       |   | 13 26 14 |
| At Louvain,     | -                   |                | -     |   | 13 45 2  |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 4"1.

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

1773, August 24, immersion of 4's second satellite. At 9h 56' 27" by the clock, felf, good observation. 9 56 43 ditto, by my son.

|   | Apparent tin |    |    |    |
|---|--------------|----|----|----|
|   |              | h  | ,  | "  |
| At Corbeil, M. MESSIER, reflector as above, doubtful, |              | 10 | 14 | 52 |
| At Perinaldo, M. MARALDI, 3 feet achrom. fine         |              | 10 | 35 | 31 |
| At Geneva, M. MALLET, 10 feet achrom.                 | -            | 10 | 29 | 14 |
| At Stockholm, M. WARGENTIN, 10 feet achrom. good      | -            | 11 | 17 | 22 |
| At Louvain, — — —                                     |              | 10 | 23 | 45 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 25"12.

August 29, immersion of 4's first satellite.

At 15h 10' 40" by the clock, felf.

15 II o ditto, by my fon, good.

| At Paris, M. M. | essier, achro | m. as above | , good,      | - | 15 | 32 | 41 |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|---|----|----|----|
| At Geneva, M.   | MALLET, ach   | rom, as abo | ve, fine,    |   | 15 | 47 | 40 |
| At Perinaldo, N | A. MARALDI,   | achrom as   | above, fine, |   | 15 | 53 | 49 |
| At Muswel-hill  | Mr. dalby,    |             | -            | - | 15 | 22 | 34 |
| At Louvain,     |               | *****       | -            | • | 15 | 41 | 25 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 8' 51".

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

1773, August 31, immersion of 4's first satellite.

At 9h 39' 1" by the clock, felf, good, Moon-light.

9 38 50 ditto, my son.

|   | Α                 | : tin | nes. |    |
|---|-------------------|-------|------|----|
|   |                   | h     | ,    | "  |
| At Nolon, Cardinal DE LUYNES, achrom. 60 times, | <b>Designated</b> | 10    | 4    | 45 |
| At Tyrnaw, F. WEISS, —                          | -                 | 10    | 2    | 7  |
| At Perinaldo, M. MARALDI, achrom. as before,    |                   | 1 I   | 22   | 16 |
| At Oxford, Mr. HORNSBY, achrom. 31 feet, clear, | -                 | 9     | 47   | 36 |
| At Greenwich, 6 feet reflector,                 | -                 | 9     | 51   | 57 |
| At Louvain, — — —                               |                   | 10    | 10   | 39 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 31",2

## August 31, immersion of $\mu$ 's second satellite.

At 12h 30' 49" by the clock, felf, hazy and Moon-light.

| At Perinaldo, | M. MARAL      | DI, achrom. | doubtful     | -        | 13 | 14 | 3 <b>2</b> |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------|----|----|------------|
| At UpfaI,     | -             |             |              | -        | 13 | 55 | 20         |
| At Geneva, M  | . MALLET,     | achrom. as  | before, thin | fog,     | 13 | 8  | 51         |
| At Greenwich, | fix feet refl | le¢tor,     | -            |          | 12 | 45 | I          |
| At Louvain,   |               |             | -            | apenatro | 13 | 2  | 31         |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 8' 42".

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

1774, July 24, immersion of 4's second satellite.

At 13h 5' o" by the clock, felf, doubtful.

13 4 30 by ditto, my fon.

|                                 |           |             |    | Apparent tim |    |    |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|----|--------------|----|----|--|
|                                 |           |             |    | h            | ′  | // |  |
| At Paris, M. MESSIER, achroi    | 12        | <b>5</b> 3  | 25 |              |    |    |  |
| At Geneva, M. TREMBLAY,         | o feet ac | hrom. fine, |    | 13           | 7  | 55 |  |
| At Tyrnaw, —                    | -         |             |    | 13           | 54 | 21 |  |
| At Greenwich, fix feet reflecto | r,        |             |    | 12           | 43 | 49 |  |
| At Louvain, -                   |           |             |    | 13           | 2, | 42 |  |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 29"+.

July 26, immersion of 4's first satellite.

At 15h 21' 7" by the clock, felf, good.

15 21 9 ditto, by my fon.

| At Geneva, M.     | MALLET,   | achrom.  | as before, | fine, | <br>15 | 24 | Ó  |  |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|------------|-------|--------|----|----|--|
| At Milan, telesco | pe magnif | ying 200 | times,     | -     | <br>15 | 36 | 31 |  |
| At Louvain,       | *******   | -        |            |       | <br>15 | 18 | 15 |  |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 1"1/2.

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

## 1774, August 25, immersion of 4's second satellite.

At 12h 51' 36" by the clock, hazy, my fon.

|                                       |          |              |               |      | Apparent | t tin | nes. |
|---------------------------------------|----------|--------------|---------------|------|----------|-------|------|
|                                       |          |              |               |      | h        | ,     | "    |
| At Perinaldo, M.                      | MARALDI, | achrom. as b | efore, good   |      | 13       | 3     | 59   |
| At Paris, M. ME                       | ssier,   | -            | -             |      | 12       | 42    | 40   |
| At Geneva, M. MALLET, fine weather, - |          |              |               |      | 12       | 57    | 45   |
| At Stockholm,                         |          | -            | -             |      | 13       | 46    | 11   |
| At Louvain,                           |          | -            | Married Total | **** | 12       | 51    | 55   |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 2".

August 27, immersion of 4's first satellite.

At 11h 54' 45" by the clock, my fon, good.

| At Upfal,          | -            |   | - | **** | 12 46 | 32 |
|--------------------|--------------|---|---|------|-------|----|
| At Milan, telescop | e as before, |   |   |      | 12 13 | 7  |
| At Louvain,        | -            | - |   |      | 11 55 | 12 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 39",5.

September 1, immersion of 4's second satellite.

At 15h 30' 56" by the clock, my fon, good.

| At Geneva,  | M. MALLET, | achrom. as before, | fine |   | 15 | 37 | 27 |
|-------------|------------|--------------------|------|---|----|----|----|
| At Tyrnaw,  |            |                    |      | - | 16 | 23 | 5  |
| At Louvain, | -          | *****              | ~    | - | 15 | 31 | 55 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 26"1.

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

# 1774, October 1, immersion of 4's first satellite. At 10h 21' 46" by the clock, my son, hazy.

| App   | arent | rin | ics. |
|---|-------|-----|------|
| •   | h     | ,   | "    |
| At Greenwich, six feet reflector, -                           | 10    | 15  | 5    |
| At Paris, M. Messier, reflector 21 feet, excellent, -         | 10    | 24  | 45   |
| At Milan, telescope as before,                                | 10    | 5 I | 43   |
| At Geneva, M. MALLET, achrom. 10 feet, fine,                  | 10    | 39  | 19   |
| At Oxford, Mr. HORNSBY, 31 feet achrom. magnifying 100 times, | 10    | 10  | 19   |
| At Marseilles, telescope magnifying 100 times, —              | 10    | 36  | 22   |
| At Tyrnaw, — — — —  | 11    | 25  | 9    |
| At Stockholm, — — — —   | 11    | 26  | 59   |
| At Petersburg, — — — —  | 12    | 16  | 5    |
| At Louvain, — — — —   | 10    | 33  | 56   |

## On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 36"

# October 14, immersion of 4's second satellite.

# At 7h 16' 7" by the clock, my fon, good.

| At Greenwich,  | fix feet reflect | or,           | -    | - | 7 11 23 |
|----------------|------------------|---------------|------|---|---------|
| At Paris, M. M | essier, 3½ fe    | et achrom. go | ood, |   | 7 20 42 |
| At Tyrnaw,     | ****             |               |      |   | 8 21 13 |
| At Upfal,      |                  | -             | -    |   | 8 21 58 |
| At Stockholm,  | territo.         |               |      |   | 8 24 4  |
| At Louvain,    |                  |               | -    | - | 7 29 53 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 13".

#### For the Longitude of Louvain.

# 1774, October 21, immersion of 4's first satellite, At 8h 39' 27" by the clock, my son, Moon-light.

|                                    | Appare   | nt tir | nes. |    |
|------------------------------------|--|--------|------|----|
|                                    |  |        | h /  | "  |
| At Greenwich, fix feet reflector,  | · Constitution of the Cons |        | 35   | 0  |
| At Paris, M. MESSIER, achrom. as a | bove, good,  | -      | 8 44 | 47 |
| At Milan, — —                      | -  |        | 9 11 | 41 |
| At Geneva, M. MALLET, achrom. a    | s above,   |        | 8 59 | 20 |
| At Oxford, Mr. Hornsby, 31 feet a  | chrom. thin fog,   |        | 30   | 26 |
| At Louvain, -                      |  |        | 8 53 | 29 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris, 9" 1'.

#### October 21, immersion of 4's second satellite.

At 9h 55' 15" by the clock, my fon, near 4.

| At Greenwich, fix feet reflector, | -               | **** | 9           | 51 | 1  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------|-------------|----|----|
| At Paris, M. MESSIER, achrom. 31  | feèt, excellent | ·,   | 10          | 0  | 27 |
| At Geneva, M. TREMBLAY, Moon-     | fhine, .        | -    | <b>-</b> 10 | 14 | 43 |
| At Milan, telescope as before,    |                 |      | 10          | 27 | 12 |
| At Louvain, -                     |                 | -    | 10          | 9  | 17 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 13".

For the Longitude of Louvain.

| 1775, Febru | iary 15, er | nersion of 4 | 's first | fatellite. |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------|------------|
|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------|------------|

At 6h 12' 29" by the clock, felf.

6 12 17 by ditto, my fon, good.

|                    |                |                |  |             | h   | •  | "  |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|--|-------------|-----|----|----|
| At Greenwich, refl | lector, air cl | lear, but twil | ight, reflect  | or,         |     |    | 2  |
| At Paris, M. MES.  | sier, achro    | m. as before,  | excellent,   |             | 6   | 2  | 33 |
| At Louvain,        | -              |                | Name of Street, or other transfer or other trans |             | 6   | 12 | 22 |
| On a r             | nean, Lo       | ouvain Ea      | ft of Par  | is 9' 46"½  | •   |    |    |
| Februai            | ry 19, er      | nersion o      | f 4's sec  | ond fatelli | te. |    |    |
| At 8               | h 36′ 46       | 5" by the      | clock, fe  | lf, good.   |     |    |    |
| 8                  | 36 20          | ditto, by      | my fon   | •           |     |    |    |

| At Greenwich, | achrom. 3½ | feet, very fine, |   | <br>8 | 17 | 18        |
|---------------|------------|------------------|---|-------|----|-----------|
| At Tyrnaw,    |            | -                |   | <br>9 | 27 | <b>37</b> |
| At Louvain,   |            | -                | - | <br>8 | 36 | 20        |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 52".

## February 22, emersion of 4's first satellite.

At 8h 8' 33" by the clock, good.

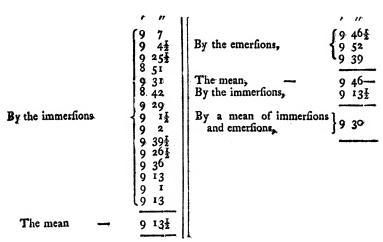
8 8 26 ditto, by my fon.

| At Lunden,    |                     | -       | -            |   | 8 | 42 | 39 |
|---------------|---------------------|---------|--------------|---|---|----|----|
| At Tyrnaw,    |                     | -       | *******      | - | 9 | 0  | 6  |
| As Stockholm, | •                   | -       | -            |   | 9 | I  | 55 |
| At Oxford, Ma | r. HORNSBY, ach     | rom, em | erged quick, |   | 7 | 44 | 32 |
| At Greenwich, | fix feet reflector, |         | -            | - | 7 | 49 | 37 |
| At Louvain,   | -                   | ******* | ••••         | - | 8 | 8  | 43 |

On a mean, Louvain East of Paris 9' 39"

Apparent times.

#### RESULT.



If the observations made at Louvain, excepting that of the second satellite of August 31, 1773, in which I suspect an error of a minute, be compared to those made at Greenwich alone, with which there is a singular agreement, they stand as follows:

If a mean be taken between 9' 30", the refult of the whole of the compared observations as above, and 9' 43" the mean of the Louvain observations, compared with those made at Greenwich only, the mean of these means will probably be very near the truth, and give the Refuge de Vrowperg, Rue des Dominiquaines, at Louvain, 9' 37"—in time, or 2° 24' 15" of a great circle, East of the Royal Observatory at Paris.

#### Farther observations of Louvain.

#### 1773, August 15.

| At 3 h. P.M. in a SSE room, out of the Su mometer stood at | n, FAHREN | HEIT'S ther | -} 87° |
|--|-----------|-------------|--------|
| At 4 h. P.M. in a North-east room,                         | -         | -           | 75     |
| At 4 h. 30' in a garden screened from the Sun,             | -         |             | 73     |

## 1774, October 5.

| Appare   | Apparent time |    |   |  |
|--|---------------|----|---|--|
|  | h             | ,  | " |  |
| Immersion of 4's third satellite, with a reslector 18 focal length, by short, magnifying 130 times, by my son, | 9             | 57 | 8 |  |

#### 1775, February 18.

#### Occultation of Saturn by the Moon.

| Contact of Saturn's West and D's  | East limb | ۰, |   | 9 | 25 | 15 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|----|---|---|----|----|
| Total immersion of Saturn's body, |           | -  |   | 9 | 25 | 39 |
| Total immersion of the ring,      | garlesg   | -  | - | 9 | 26 | 5  |

#### made in the Austrian Netherlands.

By my fon, with the fame reflector as above, magnifying 95 times on Saturn's emerging from a cloud, he appeared in contact with the limb of the Moon at 9h 25' 15". The fuddenness of this observation may possibly make it uncertain for a few seconds. At the total immersion of Saturn's body, the Eastern part of the ring became very faint by the brightness of the Moon. Vapours affected pretty strongly both Saturn and the Moon. Clouds hindered from seeing the emersion.

#### March 1.

Apparent times.

Emersion of 4's first satellite, very slow, self,

I have no corresponding observation.

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| Fo | r t | he | Lon | gitude | of | Bruffels. |
|----|-----|----|-----|--------|----|-----------|
|----|-----|----|-----|--------|----|-----------|

| 1773, Nov. 1, emersion of 4's first satellite. |
|--|
| At 11h 23' 23" by the clock, felf, good.       |
| 11 23 32 ditto, by my fon, good.               |

|  |      | Apparen | rent times |    |    |
|--|------|---------|------------|----|----|
|  |      |         | h          | 7  | "  |
| At Greenwich, six feet reflector,                  | خنيت | -       | 12         | 2  | 10 |
| At Paris, M. Messier, 31 feet achrom.              | •    |         | 11         | 11 | 49 |
| At Perinaldo, M. MARALDI, achrom. three feet fine, |      |         | . 11       | 33 | 24 |
| At Muswel-hill, Mr. dalby, -                       | •    |         | 11         | I  | 16 |
| At Brussels, by my observation,                    | -    |         | 11         | 19 | 34 |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 7' 57".

Nov. 10, emersion of 4's first satellite.

At 7h 51' 20" by the clock, felf.

7 51 15 ditto, my fon, good.

At Greenwich, by tables corrected, Phil. Trans. 1777, p. 183. 7 26 12
At Brussels, — — — 7 43 35

On a mean, Brussels East of Paris 8' 7".

## December 10, emersion of 4's first satellite.

At 10h 14' 14" by the clock, my fon.

| At Greenwich, fix fee | et reflector, |   |   | samete  | 9 | 27 | 59 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---|---|---------|---|----|----|
| At Muswel-hill, Mr.   | DALBY,        |   | - | entres. | 9 | 27 | 32 |
| At Bruffels,          |               | - | - |         | 9 | 45 | 34 |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 8' 7"1/2.

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#### For the Longitude at Bruffels.

# 1775, December 19, emersion of 4's first satellite. At 6h 42' 48", by the clock, my son.

|              |           |       | Арр | parent times. |    |    |
|--------------|-----------|-------|-----|---------------|----|----|
|              |           |       |     | h             | ,  | "  |
| At Tyrnaw,   | P. WEISS, | <br>- |     | 6             | 59 | 15 |
| At Brussels, | disense   | <br>- | -   | 6             | 6  | 26 |
|              |           | <br>  |     |               |    |    |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 8' 6".

# 1774, January 11, emersion of 4's first satellite.

At 7h 8' 7" by the clock, my fon.

| At Paris, M. Messier, $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet achrom. good, |           |         |   |                   | 6 | 4 | 24 |    |
|---|-----------|---------|---|-------------------|---|---|----|----|
| At Stockholm, M.  | WARGENTIN | , good, | - | -                 |   | 7 | 7  | 2  |
| At Bruffels,  |           |         |   | <b>Laboratori</b> |   | 6 | II | 57 |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 7' 39".

## February 3, emersion of 4's first satellite.

At 7h 34' 10" by the clock, my fon.

| At Paris, M. M | essier, ach | rom. 3½ f | eet, good, | -     | 6 15 33 |
|----------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------|---------|
| At Stockholm,  | -           | -         | enemate .  |       | 7 18 10 |
| At Upfal,      |             |           | -          | ***** | 7 16 17 |
| At Brussels,   | -           | -         |            |       | 6 23 40 |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 8' 20".

For the Longitude of Bruffels.

1774, February 18, emersion of 4's second satellite.

At 7h 24' 58" by the clock, my son.

|               |           |      |   | A    | pparent | tin | nes. |    |
|---------------|-----------|------|---|------|---------|-----|------|----|
|               |           |      |   |      |         | h   | 1    | "  |
| At Tyrnaw, F. | WEISS,    | -    | • | -    | -       | 7   | 1    | 25 |
| At Stockholm; | M. WARGEN | TIN, |   |      |         | 7   | 3    | 36 |
| At Bruffels,  | -         |      |   | **** |         | 6   | 8    | 44 |

On a mean, Bruffels East of Paris 8' 6".

#### RESULT.

The mean of these emersions give Brussels East of Paris 8' in time; but if the observation of January 11, 1774, be rejected, as it ought, because differing considerably from the rest, the mean of the others will give the Court at Brussels 8' 7" in time, or 2° 1' 45" in parts of a great circle, East of the Royal Observatory at Paris.

#### Farther observations at Bruffels.

#### 1773, October 27.

| At 3½ h. P.M. height of quickfilver in a SW. room, out of the Sun, | in fahr | enhbit's | thermometer | 70  |
|--|---------|----------|-------------|-----|
| At 7 h. P.M. in a NE. room,  | *       | -        |             | 65₹ |
| At $9\frac{1}{2}$ h. P.M. in the fame room,                        | -       | -        | -           | 65± |
| At 11 h. P.M. in the seme room,                                    | -       | -        |             | 65  |

A little wind from the west; cloudy; I was obliged to open the windows till 9 h. P.M.

#### November 1.

#### Occultation of Aldebaran by the Moon, felf.

|  | Apparent ( |   |    | times       |  |
|--|------------|---|----|-------------|--|
|  |            | h | 1  | "           |  |
| The star feemed to touch the Moon's limb,            |            | 9 | 33 | 3           |  |
| The star, which seemed on the Moon's disk, vanished, |            | 9 | 33 | II          |  |
| Occultation, by my fon,                              | -          | 9 | 33 | 12 <u>I</u> |  |

Aldebaran entered the nearly of the Moon's diameter, South of the spot Grimaldus. The night was very fine at the occultation, but clouds hindered seeing the emeration.

#### November 12.

The quickfilver in the barometer, in a room one story high, at 7 h. P.M. stood at 28,645 English inches; the preceding night was very stormy.

## 1774, February 18.

Apparent times.

Immersion of a telescopic star into the dark part of the Moon; instantaneous, by my son, — — — — 9 17 21

This star is set down in FLAMSTEAD Atlas Cœlestis as follows:

61° 57' R. A.

15 20 Declination North.

#### April 14.

Emersion of Aldebaran out of the enlightened part of the Moon, opposite Mare Crisium; instantaneous; weather very fine; felf, 39 8:

